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### MUTUAL TELEPHONE

Dockery bays n for the Law, Which Probably Would Be Unconstitutional.

COMPANIES NOW OPERATING.

Measure Relating to the Loss of Notes Secured by Deeds of Trust Is Also Killed.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Jefferson City, Mo., April 6.-Governor Dockery to-day vetoed the bills relating to town mutual telephone companies and to the loss of notes secured by deeds of trust and the manner of entering satisfaction in

The telephone bill "authorizes farmers and town mutual telephone companies to carry on a mutual telephone business and exempting them from the provisions of the general laws of the State governing telephone companies, except for revenue pur-

that such a mutual arrangement is not prohibited under the present law and there seems no particular need for them to be

measure proposes to authorize the in corporation of these companies, exempting them from all laws except those relating to revenue and requiring a fee of only %-If this bill became a law, the Governor says, he has no doubt that it would be held unconstitutional by the Supreme Court, inasmuca as this provision is in conflict with the constitution, which prescribes that

#### "FROM MISSOURI"

The popular expression, "I'm from Missouri; you've got to snow me," means a lot. Among the Missourians who have been shown' the value of Grape-Nuts food is a man from St. Louis who says: "It was during the summer of 1800 that I was taken readly ill. For some time previous I had had premonitory signs, ocrasional headaches, gastric disturbances and a general feeling of deblity. These increased until I became alarmed and sought medical advice.

"It seemed to me I was treated for all the lils that fiesh is heir to, but without weal. Finally I was frankly told by my physician that I had better put my business matters in order, as I could have but a short time. I had actually resigned myself to die, when a triend who knew what he was taking about made me change my food and try Grape-Nutz. It was a long time before! commenced, for it seemed impossible that the food would help me after so many able physicians had falled to cure me. Well, to make a long story short, I at last decided to try Grape-Nuts and the food showed me what was the matter.

"The effect was magical, One by one

fees, is a step in the wrong direction." says the Governor, "making further steps in the same direction easy. It is a bad precedent to thus authorize the formation of corporations for private benefit. If the constitutional prevision can be evaded in this way by simply omitting to call the contribution made by the incorporators 'capital stick, and giving it some other name, then this 'open-door' construction practically nullifies our fundamental law.

"The courts have held that building and loan associations cannot be formed without the payment of the constitutional tax, and I am confident that our Supreme tribunal would hold the same option in respect to

I am confident that our Supreme tribunal vould hold the same option in respect to the corporations organized under this bill. I repeat that this new departure is fraught with danger, and I am unable to see where the rule would end if companies can be incorporated for private purposes, to hold property, and be exempted from the payment of the constitutional tax simply because they may choose to call the capital contributed by some other name than 'capital stock.''

tal stock."

In regard to the bill relating to mortgages and deeds Governor Dockery says the old law is safe, providing safeguards in the transferring of property, and he sees no need of changing it.

COAL SITUATION IMPROVED. Call for President Mitchell Has

Calming Effect.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Wilkesbarre, Pa., April 6.-In the Wyoming region the action of the district of-ficers in calling President Mitchell here imroved the conditions at the collieries some what to-day, and the feeling of dissatisfac-tion is kept beneath the surface. President Mitchell has sent word that he will be here on Wednesday, April 15, and will probably make his headquarters at

Scranton.

As soon as he arrives a joint meeting of the district boards will be held, and the situation will be thoroughly discussed and plans adopted for the settlement of the existing grievances.

The three members of the mine workers allowed on a board of conciliation will be recommended by the district boards, and the active formation of the board will be hurried, as some of the disputes are of such a nature that the board's intervention will be required to settle them.

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Bestdes the grievances of the company hands and the driver boys, which have already been exploited by the strikes which have occurred, the miners have a number which they desire thrashed out. They want further information regarding the proposed computation of prices, the discrimination in the distribution of cars and the allotments of work and the docking, while other classes of workers have also questions to submit to the board.

The district leaders are doing what they can to hold the agitated mine workers in check until the board is appointed and President Mitchell arrives, and they are doing what they can to discourage the strikes. The older workers they are well able to control, but they are having trouble with the driver and breaker boys.

The firemen, despite their complaint of having to do twelve hours' work in eight hours time, still remain at work, and are leaving their grievance to their district officers to settle.

after so many able physicians had falled to cure me. Well, to make a long story short, I at last decided to try Grape-Nuts and the food showed me what was the matter.

"The effect was magical. One by one the shackles of disease fell from me. My brain became clear, headaches disappeared, and it seemed I could feel the improvement daily. I experienced the delicious glow of strong, rich revivifying blood flowing through my veins. I arose in the morning with old-time vigor, and life seemed worth the living.

"The first month of Grape-Nuts use I gained twenty pounds, and I have been gaining steadily ever since." Name given by Postum Cb. Baits Greek, Mich.

# HARRIMAN CAN VOTE

tion Asked by Southern Pacific Minority Shareholders.

MOVE FOR ANOTHER HEARING.

Stockholders Will Meet April 8, Elect Chairman and Adjourn Until Court Passes Upon Motion for Appeal.

Cincinnati April 6-At 1 p'clock this aftrnoon Judge Lurton finished reading his opinion in the suit saking application to restrain the Union Pacific from voting its 900,000 shares in the Southern Pacific election that has been set for April 8, and for

The decision was a refusal to grant the injunction and to afford the relief asked. The opinion, which was quite lengthy was against the contention of the complainants that the Union Pacific was a necessary or actual party to the suit, even though Chairman Harriman of the Union Pacific Board of Directors had made an affidavit

Being a mere witness in the case did not amount to an appearance by the Union Pa-cific as a party in the suit.

As to the averment that the Union Pacific was expending the receipts of the Southern Pacific in betterments on the Central Pacific with a view to the ultimate purchase of that road, the court held that all this cifically denied by the defendants and that even if true it could not be sus-tained except on a showing that the action

was ultra vires.
On the whole case the court held thra Senator Foraker, who represented the complainant minority stockholders of the Southern Pacific, gave notice of an appeal to the United States Court of Appeals, and ern Pacific set for April 8 be stayed. Lawrence Maxwell and Judge Humphrey, representing the defendants, agreed to that

order, inasmuch as to do otherwise would ender the appeal ineffective. It was agreed that the stockholders may meet as arranged and elect a chairman and then adjourn until called by the chairman after the appeal has been disposed of by the Court of Appeals.

Keene's Brokers Refuse to Say What Will Be Done. GROUND TO DEATH BY TRAIN.

James Madison, an Indian, Killed
Near Galena, Kas.

New York, April 6.—Taibot J. Taylor & Co., brokers for James R, Keene, declined to discuss the decision or to say what further steps, if any, would be taken.

At the Union Pacific office nothing in the way of an official statement was made. Representatives of Ruhn, Loeb & Co, were pleased with the news, but had no comments to make.

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The stock market was not greatly affected by the decision. Southern Pacific rose to 5514 and then reacted to 5715. IMMIGRATION RECORD BROKEN. Between 2,000 and 3,000 Pass Through

Chicago.

Chicago, April 6.—Between 2,000 and 2,000 immigrants passed through Chicago to-day for States west and northwest. This is the largest movement of the kind ever handled in a single day by the railroads.

The immigrants came from hearly every country in Europe, a large number halling from Norway and Sweden.

Immigration agents here declare that the present year will see all records for immigration agents.

Ferry Company, will read a paper entitled The St. Louis Terminals Up to Date."
The annual election of officers will also take place.

LIGHTING COMPANIES MERGED.

New York Syndicate Buys Taylor-take place.

First Train Is Run. REPUBLIC SPECIAL

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St. Joseph, Mo., April 6.—The first train
was run over the tracks of the Union Terminal Company, a new belt line built by
the packing interests, this afternoon. The
Mayor and city officials accompanied General Manager Donovan and others connected with the enterprise over the line.

Clay City Wants Railroad. REPUBLIC SPECIAL. Ciay City, Ili., April 6.—A public railroad meeting was held here to-uight to take steps to procure the right-of way for the Toledo. St. Louis and New Orleans Rail-road Company through Clay City and Stanwood townships.

Survey for Frisco Extension. Guthrie, Ok., April 6-It is stated that a survey will commence this week northwest from Quanah, Tex., by the Frisco, being an extension of the Okiahoma City and Southwestern and Frisco extension, com-

Railway Notes and Changes. -President Joseph Ramsey, Jr., of the Wabash arrived in Cairo, Egypt, yesterday, where he was called by the illness of his daughter, Miss Anna Ramsey. Anna Ramsey.

-It's stated that the Houston and Texas Central will soon be officially amounced as the property of the Rock Island.

-It is reported that the Velasco, Brazos and Northern Hailroad has been sold to the Rock Island. Island.

-Three miles of the track of the Arkansas
Valley road was laid vesterday. The road is to
run from Tules to Enid, I. T. run from Tulsa to Enit. I. T.

-MaArthur Brothers have secured the contract for double tracking the Illinois Central from Carbondals, Ill., to St. Louis.

-President Rouse of the M., K. & T. will attend the annual meeting of the stockholders of the Galveston, Houston and Henderson Railway at Galveston to-day President Rouse and party will depart to-day for Dallas, Tex.

FRANCIS FINALLY PARDONED. After Standing Aside Several Times He Gains His Freedom.

Jefferson City, Mo., April 6.-Governor Dockery pardened Sandford Francis from the Missouri Penitentiary, where he served twelve years and two months for murder, being sent up from Bollinger County. Fran-cis has been the canemaker in the Missourie Penitentiary, and many a Missourian now carries a leather cane made by Francis durcarries a leather cane made by Francis during his long service in the Penitentiary. When Francis came to the Fenitentiary he was a robust specimen of manhood, but is now an emaciated cripple.

For several years Francis has been selected for a holiday pardon, but before the date arrived there has always been a protest from the citizens of Boilinger County against the issuance of such a pardon. Governor Dockery promised a pardon to Francis last Fourth of July, but later was compelled to name another man on account of the protest, and Francis stepped aside and let another man go out in his place.

TO TRIM APPROPRIATIONS. Governor Dockery Will Veto a Number of Measures To-Day.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL

Jefferson City, April 5.—Governor Dockery will on to-morrow enter upon the unpleasant duty to him of bringing the total of the appropriations of the last General Assembly within the estimated income of the State for the present blennial period.

The Auditor has made a careful footing of the appropriations made by the Legislature and finds that they exceed his estimated income by \$78.52.25.

There are some who believe that the Auditor's estimated income is too conservative.

However, upon the basis of the maximum estimated income of the State revenue fund of \$6.000.000, the Governor will be compelled to veto or otherwise dispose of about REPUBLIC SPECIAL

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ville Concerns.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Taylorville, Ili., April 6.—Prominent electric light men have secured options on the stock of the Citizens' Gas Company and the Taylorville Electric Company, and today, the stock of the two companies practically was sold to a New York company which organized the Springfield Coal Company, and D. D. Shumway, manager, is negotiating the deal. Some of the stock has already changed hands, and Mr. Shumway's check was given in payment for it.

The basis of the sale is \$1.30 for the \$15.000 of gas stock, the new company assuming bonds of \$10,000. This makes the price paid for the gas plant \$25,000, and the price to be paid for this stock is \$1.15, making a lotal of \$25,750.

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total of \$25,756.

The entire deal will be closed May I, when the gas and electric companies will be consolidated under one management and bended, it is said, for \$75,696. It is also said that Senator J. N. C. Shumway will be manager of the consolidated plant.

BLIZZARD IN THE NORTHWEST. Worst Storm of Winter Sweeps

Over the Dakotas. Grand Forks, N. D., April 6.—A flerce blizzard, the worst of the winter, is raging here. The snow is wet and the wind is blowing a gale.

Seeding would have commenced this morning had it not been for the storm. Trains are all late.

BAGING IN MINNESOTA.

Crookston Minn April 5.—A mountain.

RAGING IN MINNESOTA.

Crookston, Minn., April 6.—A snowstorm has been raging over North Dakota and Northern Minnesota to-day, covering a strip from Fargo to Winnipeg. The snowfall here was from two to four inches.

SIX INCHES OF SNOWFALL.

At Minot. N. D., the fall of snow was six inches. It will delay seeding from a week to ten days.

County Railway Bonds Invalid. Washington, April 6.—The United States Supreme Court to-day, in an opinion handed down by Justice McKenna, decided that bonds issued by the county of Hamilton, in the State of Illinois, in 1871, in support of the St. Louis and Southeastern Railroad Company, were invalid because in violation of the Illinois State Constitution. The question was raised in an action brought by Harriet M. Zane of Massachusetts, who sought to recover the amount of six bonds held by her.

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WOMAN'S MISSION SOCIETY.

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Convention Adjourn at Mexico

After Electing Officers.

REPUBLIC SPECIAL.

Mexico, Mo., April 5.—The Hannibal Dis
Trict Convention of the Woman's Foreign Mission Society of the Methodist Episcopal Church adjourned last night, after a two-days' session, having elected these officers.

President Mrs. D. 8. Smith of Mexico, first vice president. Mrs. S. W. Taylor of Shelbytille; second vice president. Miss. Sarah Duchworth of Laclede; third vice president, Mrs. Will Jones of Hannibal; secretary, Mrs. Christy of Carrollton.

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